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COMUSTDC/MAAG TAIWAN 260920Z PASEP.

ONLY AVAILABLE LONG AVAILABLE LONG RANGE OBLIQUE PHOTO CAPABILITY IN PACOM AREA CONSISTS OF ONE RB50 EQUIPPED WITH 100-INCH FOCAL LENGTH CAMERA. UNDER IDEAL CONDITIONS PHOTO INTERPRETATION IS POSSIBLE AT MAXIMUM DISTANCE OF (A) 20 NM FOR ACFT COUNT, ROLLING STOCK COUNT AND AREA MILITARY BUILD-UP, (B) 40 TO 50 NM FOR MAIN CULTURAL FEATURES SUCH AS AIRFIELD LOCATION, URBAN AREA LAYOUT AND MAJOR HIGHWAY PATTERNS. CINCPACAF INFORMS ME THAT A 240-INCH CAPABILITY EXISTS IN USAF INVENTORY, THE RB57A "SHARP CUT" ACFT, WHICH CAN PROVIDE INTERPRETATIVE PHOTOGRAPHY AT 40 TO 50 NM EQUIVALENT TO THE 100-INCH AT 20 TO 25 NM AND AT 20 TO 25NM THE 240-INCH CAN PROVIDE RESULTS FROM WHICH PHOTO INTERPRETATION CAN DETERMINE ACFT TYPES, GREATER DETAIL IN MILITARY AND OTHER INSTALLATIONS AND, IN GENERAL, PERMIT MORE ACCURATE ANALYSIS.

RECOMMEND CONSIDERATION BE GIVEN TO DEPLOYING RB57A "SHARP CUT" ACFT AND CREW ORIGINALLY SCHEDULED TO ARRIVE YOKOTA 15 SEPTEMBER 1958.

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